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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 22, 2008, which sets a threemonth shortened statutory period for response to end August 22, 2008.

Applicants note that this response is being filed prior to the expiration of three months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action, whereby an extension of time and the government fee associated therewith should not be necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application. However, if for any reason a request for extension of time is required to maintain the pendency of the application, including any extension of time that may be required, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any required fee to maintain the pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the following amendment and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.